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## CONTROLLER SUGGESTS FIVE MILLS TAX LEVY FOR YEAR

Submits Annual Budget to Court — Commissioners Will Consider Report

### INCREASE ONE-FOURTH MILL

Suggesting a five-mill levy for county purposes during 1917 Controller T. J. Underwood Tuesday submitted the annual budget to the court and county commissioners. Commissioners J. O. Watson and A. P. Barnum were not at their office. Commissioner Thomas Hill was present and the report was handed him. As the full board was not present the budget, as submitted was not taken up for consideration by the commissioners.

It is up to the commissioners to fix the levy, and whether or not they will accept the recommendations of the controller is not known. It is known that the commissioners wish to keep the levy as low as possible this year, yet at the same time take care of what, in their opinion, will be the necessary expenditures for the year. The millage recommended by the controller is a quarter of a mill higher than the past year.

The commissioners had submitted recently to the controller certain estimates, which included large sums for road and bridge improvement, and the controller after considering these estimates of the commissioners says: "Had I agreed to all the requests it would have required \$944,839, to be provided for, an amount that I believe is absolutely beyond reason and which if decided upon by you, will mean a tax levy of practically seven mills, which I believe absolutely unreasonable."

There are, as the report of the controller shows, many things that enter into the estimates for the coming year and require that the county receipts be larger. With very close figuring the millage was kept down to five mills. The controller takes the estimates up by appropriations and reasons out each one.

The controller states that after all amounts that can be expected to come into the county treasury from other sources it will be necessary to raise \$522,813.38 by tax levy.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

#### THIS YEAR IN CANONSBURG

Executive Committee of County Accepts Invitation—Convention Date To Be Selected Later.

Announcement is being made that the annual county Sunday school convention of the Washington county Sunday school association will be held this year in Canonsburg. The executive committee of the county association at a meeting in Washington this week decided upon the acceptance of the invitation from the Canonsburg district. The convention date has not been decided, but it will be early in the month of June.

#### Will Live at Ronco.

In reference to the recent wedding writeup of Miss Jeannette Conway and George W. Neill a friend of the couple states the bride is a daughter of Harvey Conway of Fallowfield avenue, her mother being dead. They will live at Ronco and not at Roscoe as announced.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IS REMEMBERED BY CHILDREN

Even though Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Carson of 316 Washington avenue forgot that Tuesday marked the 40th anniversary of their wedding, their sons and daughter did not, and the couple were tendered a surprise in honor of the occasion that they will always remember. About 30 gathered for the celebration, consisting of children and grandchildren. Music, social conversation and other diversions were enjoyed to while away the evening hours. Finally the couple were presented each with a fine gold handled umbrella, a daughter, Mrs. Frank Crise making the presentation speech.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson have lived many years on Washington avenue. They were married near Charleston, W. Va., and lived in Indiana and other states before coming to Charleroi.

## SAY WOMAN IS STREET BEGGAR

Donora Police Look for Charleroi Woman Against Whom There is Complaint

### WILL NOTIFY LOCAL POLICE

Police of Donora were today looking for a woman claiming Charleroi as her home who it is said has been begging on the Donora streets. Complaint was made to the police department this morning and a description of the woman given. She was said by the complainant to be a woman of middle age, wearing a black skirt and a black covering over her head. She wore gold-rimmed glasses. If the police locate the woman they will notify the Charleroi authorities and obtain a report on the woman's need of assistance. Donora has a charity fund supported similarly to that in Charleroi and investigates cases of need, frowning severely on begging.

#### Strands Organize.

The Charleroi Strands organized for the coming season at a meeting at John Dean's home Sunday. The players to report were: Lutz, P. Molle, Pursuda, Cossner, Dean, Houston, Mariette and Sailer. Henry Bertiaux was elected manager and Fred Molle captain. Any semi-professional wishing a good attraction are to write to business manager Ralph Rocco, 216 Crest avenue.

### MAJESTIC TO HAVE BIG MARY PICKFORD FEATURE

"The Pride of the Clan" with Mary Pickford, the celebrated star in the leading role will be the attraction at the Majestic theatre Thursday and Friday. This is the second production of Miss Pickford's company. The story is one of the northwest coast of Scotland and the famous star appears as a highland lassie. The story has a rich blend of a comedy and dramatic effects rendering it both an entertaining and interesting production.

## "Alaska Queen's" Fortune Vanishes; Father Spills Beans



Because "pop spilled the beans" Louise Sachse is no longer an "Alaska Queen" with a penchant for doing New York.

Louise struck New York the other day and forthwith broke into print. She told the reporters she had never seen a real big city before. She told of her trip from Eskimo land for remember an Eskimo is what Louise purported to be and prettily criticized New York customs. New York complexions displeased her and she shook her head in vigorous disapproval of the women who smoked. She reached New York with \$120 in pocket and a fair wardrobe, which she proposed to increase by visits to the great Fifth avenue shops. "Pop spilled the beans."

She was offered \$850 a week to go into the "movies." Today she is mourning everything by revealing the secret of her early life in Kansas City.

"O pop certainly spilled the beans," she mourned. "I wrote him to say that I died at the age of two years if anybody asked him. Why I was planning to wind a chain of neiggets around the old man. I was going to bring him on as the old miner that I said was my dad. I would have got \$850 a week if he had kept quiet. That's more than he makes in a year as a sparrow nurse in Kansas City."

### REV. COLE PREACHES ON "HOW I KNOW THAT I AM A CHRISTIAN"

Evangelist E. A. Cole at the First Christian church preached Tuesday evening on the theme, "How I know I am a Christian." He said a Christian knows the same way as he knows if he is a Mason or an Odd Fellow. With obedience to God's work the spirit bears witness. A large delegation of the Baraca class of men attended in a body. Young women of the S tar class served as ushers. A solo was sung by Adeline Companion of the junior choir and a duet by Blanche Christopher and Eleanor Ailes of the senior choir. A number of interesting questions were answered. At the prayer meetings Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Young Alaskan Amazon discovered to be Kansas City maiden, after she had received movie offer of \$850 a week. Never a "biscuit shooter" she bitterly declares.

"What do you mean by a sparrow nurse?" she was asked. "He is a watchman in the city parks; head watchman. Can you imagine it? He would rather be an owl watcher all his life."

Louise said that her parents were Austrians. Her parents and her elder brothers and sisters have kept up their Austrian connections and language, she said, while she became Americanized by working as a telephone girl in Kansas City.

"They didn't have American ideas," she said. "They thought a girl ought to marry young and they wanted me to marry the first Austrian who came along with \$200. I wanted to be an American, so I left them and went to an aunt in Alaska. I worked as a telephone girl at Juneau."

"One thing my father says is absolutely false," she said, "and that is that I was a biscuit-shooter. I never waited on table in my life. Please don't call me a biscuit-shooter. I have shot plugs in a switchboard and even won a medal at Juneau for efficiency in shooting plugs but that is all."

"I thought I would go on as long as I could," she said, "and then I added that she thought of becoming a telephone operator when she came to New York. A talent, which she has hidden during the week because it did not go well with her delightful simplicity and ignorance, is that she knows several languages."

"I know seven more or less," she said, "and I guess they will help me out here. I learned Austrian and Italian at school. I learned Russian and Belgian in Alaska and I know French and Kansas City."

Rev Cole will speak on "The Second Coming of Christ." Tonight he will preach on "Why Men Backslide."

### ALEXANDER CHALFANT NAMED FOOTBALL HEAD AT BUCKNELL

Alexander H. Chalfant, a member of the Sophomore class at Bucknell university, who comes from Brownsville and who is the brother of Mrs. M. T. Crowley of Charleroi was recently given a high honor by the student body of Bucknell, when he was elected assistant football manager of the athletic association. This election to assistantship means that in his senior year Mr. Chalfant will be manager of the Bucknell varsity football team, an honor which is highly sought at Bucknell.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDermott of Crest avenue were Pittsburg visitors Wednesday.

## SURVEY OF DEFUNCT ROAD IS PURCHASED BY WHEELING LINE

### WORST BLIZZARD SINCE 1885 RAGING IN WEST

A blizzard that is said to be the worst since 1885 has North Dakota, and other western states in its grasp, as well as southwestern Canada, is making its way east and weather bureaus are sending out warnings. Whether the blizzard will reach Pennsylvania in its full intensity is not predicted, but from the progress of the blizzard it is expected it will be felt here in a very short time.

## "JAKE" AMALONG DIES, AGED 80

Widely Known Resident of Belle Vernon Succumbs at Uniontown

### FUNERAL SERVICES ARE HELD

The funeral of Jacob W. Amalong, aged 80 years and six months, a widely known resident of Belle Vernon who died Monday noon at Uniontown was held this afternoon with services at 1 o'clock at the Belle Vernon Baptist church. Interment was in the Baker of the Belle Vernon Presbyterian church conducted the services.

Mr. Amalong was born July 20, 1836 at Jacobs Creek. He spent practically his entire life at Belle Vernon. He was known as an auctioneer and a veterinarian. In Fayette county he served one term as deputy sheriff. He was twice married, but leaves no children. A brother and one sister survive. They are Charles of Mexico and Mrs. Rebecca J. Wilkinson of Belle Vernon.

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#### Notice.

Arrangements have been made to attend the Irish Fair and Bazaar at Pittsburg on Saturday Feb. 3. Anyone wishing to go in special car can call, not later than Thursday, Feb. 1, anyone of the local committee.

Jack Kilroy,  
James Hennigan,  
Fred W. Brady. 192-tl

### MARGUERITE CLARK TO BE SHOWN AT COYLE

The attraction at the Coyle theatre for Thursday and Friday will be the Paramount production, "Miss George Washington" with Marguerite Clark in the title role. The story so vividly portrays the results of departing from the truth that it is apt to discourage anyone who is tempted to deceive in order to cover up a breach in the conventions of society. The fact that Miss George has been presented with a medal as a reward for her truthfulness.

### Connecting Link Between West Virginia and Monongahela Contemplated

### TRANSFER SOON TO BE MADE

Announcement is being made that the Wheeling, Ohio & Eastern Railroad Co. organized by Wheeling men with C. R. Hubbard as president, has just completed the purchase of the survey of the defunct Pittsburg Connellsville & Wheeling Railroad company, which proposed the construction of a railroad between Wheeling and Connellsville, some ten or fifteen years ago.

The Pittsburg, Connellsville & Wheeling company not only surveyed and laid out a complete route between Wheeling and the Monongahela river valley, but secured many actual construction work over the route, especially up the Wheeling creek valley, in the vicinity of Viola.

Under the laws of Pennsylvania the rights of the Pittsburg, Connellsville & Wheeling company have not lapsed, and the securing of these rights practically completes the route of the Wheeling, Ohio & Eastern, the local company, from Wheeling to the Monongahela river.

A meeting will be held in Waynesburg in the near future, at which the Pittsburg, Connellsville & Wheeling organization will be revived and the rights and properties transferred to the company of Wheeling men.

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH DIES IN HOSPITAL

Archie Giles Dies at Memorial Hospital Monongahela From Peritonitis That Follows Appendicitis Operation

Charleroi high school lost a promising student from the commercial department Tuesday when Archie Giles, aged 17 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Giles of Roscoe, died at the Memorial hospital Monongahela. Death was the result of peritonitis which developed following an operation for appendicitis.

Archie was a sophomore in the commercial department and a good student. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be in the Auburn cemetery at Fayette City.

### ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION IS FORMED BY METHODISTS

The Methodist Athletic Association is an organization that lately has been formed with T. H. Warrensford manager and J. H. Pearson secretary-treasurer. The meeting was well attended. Thursday night has been secured at the high school gymnasium and will be a night for recreation for those of the Methodist association.

Slide Causes Derailment  
A slide of rocks and earth to the Pittsburg-Charleroi Railways tracks near Wickerham stop caused a derailment of car No. 3614 from Pittsburg at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. "Jack" Garrett was the motorman and "Mike" Glancy the conductor.

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## MORE CONVENTIONS

When a convention is only an excuse for the expenditure of somebody's hard earned coin and an occasion for a lark it is worse than useless because it is an extravagance. That is precisely what some of them are becoming.

There are people in this world who would rather attend a convention than a full meal and can find enough enthusiasm in the dull convention to run a gasoline launch without gasoline. Then there are people who avoid conventions as they avoid death. The latter class are a vast growing majority.

The trouble has been too many conventions, and too much dullness crowded into the lot of them. A convention to nominate a president is a big thing and most of us would appreciate the opportunity of attending, if only somebody else would foot the bill. But a presidential convention is not a monthly event or even a yearly convocation, or it likewise would pall upon the majority. The conventions which are driving people to the movies are the tiresome little affairs that occur every week or two or three. They are all right when new and are entertaining like a toy. After a time they grow wearisome. Then it is time to stop and hunt a new system. Most anyone can judge if that moment has arrived by their own convention experience, if they are in the least observing.

## THE CANAL PROJECT.

That the Lake Erie and Ohio River canal, if built according to the plans of the canal commission will be one of Washington county's assets is the argument being advanced by those who know the project. The following editorial from the Washington Daily News in reference to the work and the organizers of the work therefore is of much interest:

Washington county may be overlooking the fact that it will be wonderfully helped commercially if the Lake Erie and Ohio River canal is built. It will mean that manufacturers will have a more direct route to secure their raw materials, and the coal producers of the county will have a better route to ship their product.

Furthermore, this county should feel interested because of the fact that one of its own citizens, Hon. Thomas Sloan, of Charleroi, is in the association. Associated with him are Mr. W. U. Follansbee, of Follansbee Brothers, Follansbee, West Vir. are Mr. W. U. Follansbee, of Follansbee, W. H. Stevenson, former president of the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce and H. C. Ogden, newspaper publisher, of West Virginia.

Mr. Sloan has given the project his earnest support, spending a great deal of his time in hard work, trying to perfect the scheme. It may not be over stepping the bounds to say that when the canal is built and it becomes a common carrier, Washington county should thank Mr. Sloan for his untiring efforts in bringing it to them. The route of the canal is such that it touches the boundary of our own county, and therefore is to be considered one of our greatest assets.

## WHAT OTHERS THINK

### WASTELFULNESS.

When Secretary Redfield called us a nation of wasters he was not referring to the waste in our government nor the waste in great resources which conservation experts are attempting to check. He referred to the waste which goes on in every home, a small matter in each case, perhaps but amounting to millions of dollars annually.

We burn up old paper, rags, sawdust, shavings, old furniture and other material which might be made valuable as a basis for other products. There has been a New York law that all weapons confiscated from criminals be taken out to sea and dumped. Now the experts have discovered that these fimmies and bits and gimlets and brass knuckles and other tools of burglarly are usually made of finely tempered steel or other valuable metal and thousands of dollars worth have been lost. There would have been a saving to the state if these weapons had been melted up.

Individuals are not alone to blame. Municipal incinerators reduce to ash a mass of discarded stuff other than offensive refuse which might be put to use if sorted out.

The peculiar twist to the situation is that we are hiring "experts" to tell us how to increase our efficiency—and the experts are merely telling us to cut down our waste, which we should have done all the time without being told.—Beaver Daily Times.

## THE LITTLE THINGS.

Many think that opportunity must be something great and unusual, and that it never comes near them. But the facts that the surest stepping-stone for any one to a higher place lies in doing better the very thing closest at hand.

The obstacles to our success usually are not big things, but little things; so little that we do not notice them, or noting despise them.

The world contains so much failure and pessimism largely because so many of us dream all our days of doing far off great things, but neglect to do the little things lying right before us.

The Panama canal was dug a shovelful at a time. Finished, it is the greatest work of civil engineering in the world; but it was accomplished only by a series of little things.

The foundation of the greatest fortunes is the careful looking after the pennies even fractions of pennies.

The greatest scientists are not above minute study of the smallest insects and seemingly insignificant things.

The greatest buildings are laid up a single stone at a time.

It is of no avail to us that we dream of mighty structures if we have not the patience and humility to do so little a thing as the laying up of a single stone. There are no great achievements for us if we are above doing the little things.

Fine visions are good; but even an Angelo could realize his visions only by laying on his little brush marks one by one.

It is the vision that frames our lives, but it is the little things that fill in the picture. We may make it beautiful or hideous according to our fidelity and patience in little things.—The Christian Herald.

## ELECTRIC SPARKS

The surprising thing to a political reformer is a man that to whom he imparts the truth does as he pleases. Every once in a while the office seeks the man. There's the tax office for instance.

From a glance at the tax duplicates you would think that death is considerably surer than taxes.

It all depends upon the point of view. A little football team can be made appear husky as giants if the camera is fixed right.

There is none so dumb as the wise New Yorker who will not be taught.

Talk about sinking the Deutschland. Sinking is its long suit.

## PICKED UP IN PASSING

Two lawyers were debating as to which knew the most of religion. The discussion waxed warm and said one, "I'll just place a bet with you. You don't even know the Lord's Prayer." The other grinned. Then he repeated, "Now I lay me down to sleep; I pray the Lord my soul to keep." The first handed over the money.

For three weeks he had borne all the horrors of the annual cleaning without a murmur. Then his patience gave way.

"And you," sobbed his wife, "you used to tell me I was your queen." "Yes," he said with a wild glare in his eyes; "but when a man finds his queen has used his best tobacco jar for pale oak varnish and his meerschaum pipe for a tack hammer he begins to grasp the advantage of a republic."—Tit-Bits.

"Nurse," moaned the convalescent patient, "can't I have something to eat? I'm starving."

"Yes, the doctor said you could start taking solids today, but you must begin slowly," she said. Then she held out a teaspoonful of tapioca. "We must only advance by degrees," she added.

He sucked the spoon dry and felt more tantalizingly hungry than ever. He begged for a second spoonful, but she shook her head, saying that everything at the start must be done in similarly small proportions. Presently he summoned her again to his bedside. "Nurse," he gasped "bring me a postage stamp. I want to read."

## DOCTORS' SONS WIN RENOWN

They Are Brought Forward as Rivals of the Progeny of Both Farmers and Ministers.

At last a rival to the farmer and the minister in the role of famous father-son—of the blood of the famous—is brought forward. The New York Evening Sun observes: "The changes have been rung on the percentage of men like the two chief candidates for the presidency in the recent election and of other leaders. But it remained for William Brewster, writing in the Medical Record, to point out that among famous fathers a large number were sons of physicians."

There is food for thought in this, "as the author gravely prophesies, 'the more embryonic science of history may yet find activators.'" He illustrates his theory by a list of the men about Lincoln in the Civil war times. The vice president, secretary of state, secretary of war, speaker of the house and the organizer of the Union forces—McClellan—were all doctors' sons. In the same group we find David Davis, the close friend and adviser of Lincoln; John Hay, his private secretary; Stephen A. Douglas, his leading opponent in the contests before the war.

Exactly what part in the preparation of these leaders for high station their fathers may have taken we are not informed. But a good case might be made out of clear thinking related to prompt action and of unselfish devotion to the needs of the public. It may be said that the old-fashioned family physician was away from home a good deal, but certainly his character might well make a deeper impression on the children than the repeated precepts of a man of another type.

## SOME ORE DEPOSITS YOUNG

Newly Formed Veins Have Produced Such Famous Mining Camps as Goldfield and Tonopah.

Ore deposits ranging in age from the time when the most complex living thing on the earth was a crablike creature down to the time when mammals were highly developed have been found in this country. Among the younger deposits is a group known to geologists as the late tertiary veins.

These veins are widely distributed and are of particular interest not only because they have given rise to famous mining camps such as Tonopah, Goldfield and Comstock, but because, owing to their comparative youth, the surface on which they crop out is not greatly below that which existed at the time of their origin. Thus by considering the surface conditions and by laboratory experiments the phenomena they present can be interpreted more accurately than those of older deposits which are at greater depths and are more deeply cut by erosion.

Many of the late tertiary veins in this country, all inclosed in lava rocks or closely associated with them, are found in Nevada.

## It's not Catching.

A four-year-old boy in Columbus has been having lots of fun the last few months playing with a neighbor's dog. The friendship seemed to be mutual. The boy was interested in everything that pertained to Bowser. Recently there has been considerable agitation to require the dog owners to pay the city license fee. Announcement was made that the police would soon begin to kill all unlicensed dogs. So there was a rush to the city clerk's office to get licenses.

"Mother, O mother! I'm not going to play with Bowser any more," the little fellow told his mother, as he ran into his home.

"Why, son, what's the matter with Bowser?"

"Why, I heard them say that he has license on him."—Indianapolis News.

## Queer Laws.

There are in force in Switzerland certain laws which, in the hands of the unscrupulous, may work great havoc with personal rights and liberties. This is a point concerning which there can be no dispute. For instance in most cantons men and women may be punished not only for what they have actually done in the past, but also for what may possibly result in the future from what they have done. Suppose a man is spending week by week all he earns. Then the local authorities, acting in conjunction with the police, may send him to a penal workhouse, on the pretext that his conduct is such that he may later become a destitute and therefore be a burden to the community.—Buffalo News

## Holds Shaving Necessary.

Shaving is not labor but a necessity, and the state has no right to deny a man the privilege granted a mule, according to a brief filed in the Iowa state supreme court at Des Moines by attorneys for a Davenport barber on complaint of the barbers' union for keeping his shop open on Sunday. "It is a man can carry a mule on Sunday, he has a right to have his own head shaved, in a manner of speaking," says the brief.

## Want to Sleep on Your Hair?

An eastern barber has invented a device to fasten around the patron's neck to catch and save the hair removed by the shears. When he has made the patron beautiful he offers to save the by-product of his clipping until, if the patron comes in often enough, the hair can be mixed with long horse hair and made up into a pillow.

## BEST EDITORIAL COMMENT

Relating to Live Topics—By the Nation's Greatest Thinkers

### THE WHEAT SITUATION.

From the New York Commercial.

We are now within five months of the beginning of the wheat harvest and reserves in the United States and Canada are ample to carry us through. British India and Australia have substantial surpluses for export and their harvest prospects are very favorable. More wheat is coming out of Russia now that the railroads to the north have been rebuilt and extended, and the new Russian port of Murmansk will be open for wheat exporters within three months. Argentina is expected to have a surplus of 80,000,000 bushels of wheat for export this season as compared with actual shipments of 64,000,000 bushels last season, a gain of 25 per cent.

World's actual shipments to Europe two seasons ago were 524,000,000 bushels, last season they were 596,000,000 and this season they are estimated at 504,000,000; the season being from August 1 to July 31 in each year. This year's estimated decrease of 92,000,000 bushels is due wholly to the short North American crop, the exportable surplus of which for the season is estimated at 296,000,000 bushels, as compared with actual shipments of 480,000,000 bushels last season, a decrease of 184,

000,000 bushels or precisely twice the world's decrease.

It is now well established that the Canadian wheat crop was grossly underestimated by the Dominion government last September. The outturn of the western provinces, Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan is now estimated at 190,000,000 bushels, which is 52,000,000 bushels above the official figures, and the United States crop is 32,000,000 bushels more than was estimated last October.

If this year's crops in North America turn out well on the increased acreage which is expected we will have plenty of wheat and other grains for export. The big surplus in Australia and the excellent prospects in India offset the shortage in Argentina. Northern Russia and North Africa will contribute increased supplies for Western Europe. In the face of these well assured prospects it is silly to talk of an embargo. The thing to do is to clean up stocks while prices are high and take chances on the coming harvest being sufficient for our requirements. Winter wheat in the ground looks well at present and there will be enough of it to feed us if it is an average crop no matter what happens to spring wheat yet to be sown. We need ships to carry commodities away instead of an embargo on exports.

## \* \* \* NORTH CHARLEROI \* \* \*

\* Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jeffrey visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Heith of Donora Sunday.

Miss Katie Dwyer of Fayette City who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Everett Harris, is confined to her room with inflammatory rheumatism.

Mrs. W. S. McCreary and daughter Mrs. Samuel Gaskill were in Pittsburgh.

Miss Violet Fleming was a caller in Pittsburgh.

Miss Nellie Dennis is numbered among the sick.

Charles Heith has gone to Manchester, W. Va., where he will be employed.

Elton Richardson of New Haven Conn., is visiting at the home of his brother, V. J. Richardson.

Miss Bernice Gayman of Maryland is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Zollers.

Mr. and Mrs. William Frazier have moved to Donora.

Miss Callie Bell is visiting friends in Woodlawn.

G. T. Griffith of Columbus, Ohio, Alma Booker of Pittsburgh and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Winship of Fayette City were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gaskill.

### The Horse Upstairs.

Not long since we were riding on an elevated train in Chicago. We looked out of the car, and there, right at our elbow, was a horse's head, thrust through the upper floor window of a brick building. It was a startling thing. We felt like saying, "Now, what on earth are you doing up here, old man?" But the horse appeared to be very much at home. No doubt he lived there, twenty feet or so from the ground. It was like a jail. He had no barn lot or pasture. When his day's work was over he was taken direct from the wagon to his upstairs stall. Rents were too high for his owner to furnish a stall on the ground. He never had a chance to "roll over" or to nibble at a bit of fresh plowed earth. Yet that horse's life in the city was no more artificial and abnormal than the life of the average city man. The man goes of his own accord, however, and the horse has no choice in the matter. Probably the horses wonder why men want to live together like bees.—Farm Life.

## SENSE OF DIRECTION.

A Help in Finding Your Bearings at Night Without a Compass.

An English survivor of the South African war who was often sent on long distance night reconnaissances has worked out a system whereby any one can be right at home in the dark without compass or other instrument to aid the sense of direction. He worked out the exact movement and direction of the largest and most easily distinguished lights in the heavens so that the least scientific eye can recognize these signs by sight, and the whole dome of the heavens becomes a vast compass.

If there were fire balloons or beacons placed in the heavens north, east, south and west it would be easy for any one to go in these directions by simply following the signs. Similarly, if one wished to go, say, a hand's breadth to the right or left of the beacons one could easily do so. The largest stars in the heavens can be depended upon in the same way.

"If you put the front buttons of your coat on the north star or other direction stars," writes this authority, "your right and left breasts give you an angle of 45 degrees from the stars and your shoulders a right angle. Also, it is only a matter of a little practice to be able to measure 15 degrees of horizon with your hand, so you can get any number of degrees to the right or left of your direction stars, and after a little practice it becomes second nature to recognize the points of the compass at sight, and you acquire the same sense of direction as bushmen, Arabs and people who live far away from civilization."—Popular Science Monthly.

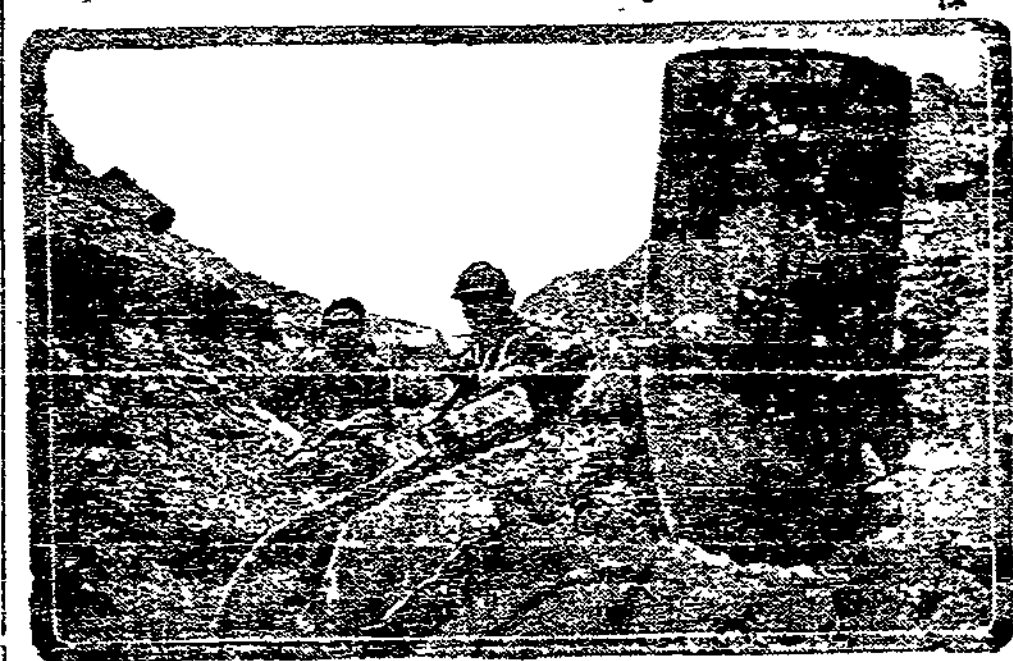
### Age and Youth.

W. D. Howells said of old age at one of his Sunday afternoons: "Age is modester than youth. I've often noticed that when I tell a mother that her daughter is the image of what she was herself at nineteen the mother is delighted, but the daughter looks startled."

### Life in the Navy.

"And what do you sailors do?" asked a visitor on one of our battleships. "Well," responded the jolly far, "we does what we please until we are told to do something else, and then we does that something else pretty darn quick."—Boston Transcript.

## A Product of Efficiency That Failed



Underwood & Underwood Photo.

This huge shell, fired by one of the German "Big Bertha's," landed, unexploded, in a trench of the Somme front. Had it been true to its mission the two soldiers who now regard it so philosophically would have been blown to bits and the ground for yards around would have been reduced to a sand pit. An idea of the immense size of the projectile may be gained by comparing it with the men shown nearby. It is rare that a German shell misses fire, but even in war German efficiency sometimes falls below one hundred per cent.



Charles Chaplin "In The Rink" and Marguerite Clark in "Miss George Washington" at the Coyle Theatre Thursday.

Report of the Condition of the Bank of Charleroi, of Charleroi, Co. of Allegheny, and Fifth street, of Washington County, Pennsylvania, at the close of business January 25th, 1917.

| RESOURCES.                              |                |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Reserve Fund:                           |                |
| Cash, specie and notes                  | \$ 86,126 95   |
| Due from approved reserve agents        | 194,922 91     |
| Nichols and Cents                       | 514 15         |
| Checks and cash items                   | 4,941 67       |
| Assets held free, viz:                  |                |
| Bills discounted upon one name          | \$37,579 01    |
| Bills discounted upon two or more names | 21,000 88      |
| Time loans with collateral              | 41,929 92      |
| Loans on call with collateral           | 24,828 84      |
| Loans on call upon one name             | 65,590 17      |
| Loans on call upon two or more names    | 154,837 40     |
| Loans secured by bonds and mortgages    | 159,395 78     |
| Bonds, Stocks, etc.                     | 890,065 11     |
| Mortgages and Judgements of record      | 281,600 15     |
| Office building and lot                 | 60,169 64      |
| Other real estate                       | 22,701 09      |
| Total                                   | \$2,161,901 91 |

| LIABILITIES.                                    |                |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Capital stock paid in                           | \$ 75,000 00   |
| Surplus fund                                    | \$35,000 00    |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 5,225 99       |
| Individual deposits subject to check            | \$473,478 71   |
| Time certificates of deposit                    | \$47,021 50    |
| Savings Fund Deposit                            | \$61,112 94    |
| Deposits, U. S. Postal                          | 2,123 24       |
| Deposits, Municipal                             | 17,871 15      |
| Certified Checks                                | 1,346 72       |
| Cashier's Checks outstanding                    | 1,440 24       |
| Dividends unpaid                                | 1,711,215 82   |
| Total                                           | \$2,161,901 91 |

State of Pennsylvania, County of Washington, ss:  
I, K. W. DAILY, cashier of the above named Bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

K. W. DAILY, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of January, 1917.  
MINNIE B. RICHARDSON, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Feb. 14th, 1917.

CORRECT-ATTEST:  
JOHN C. MCKEAN, Directors.  
W. J. BERRYMAN

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CHARLEROI SAVINGS AND TRUST CO. OF FIFTH STREET, CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JANUARY 25th, 1917.

| RESOURCES.                                        |             |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Reserve Fund:                                     |             |
| Cash, specie and notes                            | \$22,914 50 |
| Due from approved reserve agents                  | 38,990 77   |
| Nichols and cents                                 | 712 45      |
| Checks and cash items                             | 2,716 38    |
| Securities pledged for Special deposits           | 2,040 00    |
| Assets held free, viz:                            |             |
| Commercial paper purchased upon one name          | \$87,166 01 |
| Commercial paper purchased upon two or more names | 168,311 46  |
| Loans upon call with collateral                   | 132,263 25  |
| Time loans with collateral                        | 2,665 38    |
| Loans secured by bonds and mortgages              | 29,396 06   |
| Loans without collateral                          | 69,512 50   |
| Bonds, stocks, etc.                               | 139,719 00  |
| Mortgages and judg.                               | 147,935 44  |
| Office Building and Lot                           | 45,881 78   |
| Other real estate                                 | 31,498 38   |
| Furniture and fixtures                            | 12,329 81   |
| Overdrafts                                        | 8 72        |
| Total                                             | \$41,847 49 |

| LIABILITIES.                                                                |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Capital stock paid in                                                       | \$ 125,000 00 |
| Surplus Funds                                                               | 35,000 00     |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid                             | 22,705 66     |
| Individual deposits subject to check (exclusive of trust funds and savings) | 201,416 35    |
| Time certificates of deposit (exclusive of trust funds)                     | 61,428 28     |
| Deposits, saving fund, (exclusive of Trust Funds)                           | 332,691 52    |
| Deposits, U. S. Postal Savings                                              | 1,539 16      |
| Deposits Municipal                                                          | 14,734 36     |
| Dividends unpaid                                                            | 214 50        |
| Trusting's and Certified Checks outstanding                                 | 1,267 58      |
| Unearned interest                                                           | 320 19        |
| Total                                                                       | \$41,847 49   |

Amount of trust funds invested \$ 208,507 77  
Cash Balance 8,535 67

Total Trust funds \$ 217,043 44

CORPORATE TRUSTS  
Total amount of a face value of Trusts under deeds of trust or mortgages executed by Corporations to the Company as Trustees to secure issues of corporate bonds, including Equipment Trusts \$ 630,000 00  
State of Pennsylvania, County of Washington, ss:  
I, E. W. Hastings, Treasurer of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
(Signed) E. W. HASTINGS, Treasurer.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of January, 1917.  
(Signed) GEO. W. RISBECK, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Feb. 21, 1919.  
Correct-Attest:  
(Signed) JOHN H. MOPITT, R. C. MOUNTS, DAVID M. McCLOSKEY, Directors.

She told a lie and never got over it, "Miss George Washington," Coyle theatre Thursday and Friday. Charles Chaplin "In The Rink" Thursday. Usual admission. 191-12

### Mahieu's Special

Extra good, large No. 3 can tomatoes, 2 cans, for 25 cents at Mahieu's. Both stores. 192-12



# The Great Clearance Sweeps On!

HUNDREDS ARE SAVING MONEY AT THIS SALE OF WOMEN'S WEAR

OO

NEVER have we offered a larger number of values in the women's Ready-to-Wear Department. That this huge sale is appreciated is evidenced by the hundreds of women who are taking advantage of the unusual savings afforded.

THE SUITS and coats are proving attractive features in this sale, which offers so many extraordinary values that it's almost impossible to tell which are best.

YOU'LL find the suits shown are all in seasonable styles. Many were received only a few weeks ago and are the most stylish garments that can be obtained at mid-season. They are shown in a large number of materials and colors and are priced as follows:

|                                |               |                               |              |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| \$12.50 and 15.00 values suits | <b>\$9.75</b> | \$22.50 and 25.00 value suits | <b>16.50</b> |
| \$18.50 and 20.00 value suits  | <b>12.50</b>  | \$27.50 and 30.00 value suits | <b>22.50</b> |

One special lot of Ladies Suits. Some of very fine materials. Formerly sold for \$12.50, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00 and \$25.00 now on sale **\$5.00** at the great clearance price, only

Special lot of extra size Ladies Suits sizes 43-45-47-49 Reduced to **12.50 & 16.50**

Special reduction on all our coats. Here are some of the values we are offering

|                                 |              |                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| \$18.00 and \$20.00 value coats | <b>11.75</b> | \$10.00 and \$12.50 value coats | <b>6.75</b> |
| \$25.00 value coats             | <b>16.50</b> | \$15.00 value coats             | <b>9.75</b> |

Other higher priced coats priced now at corresponding reductions.

All of our Plush Coats Reduced 25 per cent.

## J. W. Berryman & Son

CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE

### PERSONALS

Miss Ethel Kegg of McKean avenue who has been employed as bookkeeper for Myers and Myers company at Monongahela has resigned her position and on Monday assumed the duties as secretary to Prof. E. E. Bach, sociological superintendent of the Ellsworth mines and schools.

Mrs. C. H. Christner and Mrs. E. Shelton will be hostesses to the members of the Frances Willard class of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school at the Christner home, 514 Third street Friday evening.

Misses Hope Arnold and Bertha Anthony of Charleroi and Mrs. William Steele of Monongahela were Pittsburg visitors Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Clive Enos of Crest avenue spent Wednesday in Pittsburg.

Miss Laura Cook of Washington avenue has gone to Pittsburg where she will visit relatives several days. Evan C. Kelley and daughter Miss Mattie of McKean avenue visited at Pittsburg and McKeesport Wednesday.

### DANCING IN ROUMANIA.

Peasants Make Merry on Sunday to Oil Their Joints For Monday.

The Roumanian peasants have a saying that their must dance on Sunday to keep the creak out of their bones on Monday. Most of the dances are at the public houses—dance halls under the blue sky, as it were—and young and old gather there. The old folk spend the day with the tippie, while the young ones dance. There is very little drinking on any other day of the week, and a tipsy man except on Sunday is seldom seen.

The dances are organized by the boys of the community. They arrange for the music, provide the refreshments and preside as masters of ceremony. When the girls reach a marriageable age and have been sufficiently instructed in the household arts they are allowed to attend these dances as participants. "She dances at the dance" is the peasant way of saying that a girl has made her debut and is eligible for matrimonial attentions.

The national dance of Roumania is a sort of cross between a jig and the game of ring-around-the-rose. All the dancers clasp hands and form a ring. They then begin a stepping, swaying motion that never moves them out of their original tracks, and to the music of the gypsy band they keep it up for hours.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

### VIRGINIA FARMER

Restored to Health By Vinol

Atlee, Va.—I was weak, run-down, no appetite, my blood was poor, I could not sleep nights and was rapidly losing flesh, but I am a farmer and had to work. Medicines had failed to help me until I took Vinol. After taking three bottles my appetite is fine, I sleep well, my blood is good and I am well again.—Orlando W. Borker.

Vinol, which contains beef and cod liver peptones, iron, manganese peptones and glycerophosphates, is guaranteed to overcome weak, run-down conditions, chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis.

Piper's Drug Store, Charleroi. Also at the leading Drug Store in all Pennsylvania towns.

### STOMACH Ailments The Nation's Curse



There is no ailment causing more woe and misery than Stomach Trouble. Often Gall Stones, Cancer and Ulcers of the Stomach and Intestines, Constipation, Acute Indigestion, Auto-intoxication, Yellow Jaundice, Appendicitis and other serious and fatal ailments result from it. Thousands of Stomach Sufferers owe their complete recovery to Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. It is unlike any other remedy. It sweeps the poisonous bile and catarrhal accretions from the system. Soothes and allays Chronic Inflammation. Many declare it has saved their lives and prevented serious surgical operations. Try one dose today. Watch its marvelous results. Contains no alcohol—no habit-forming drugs. Book on Stomach Ailments FREE. Address Geo. H. Mayr, Mfg. Chemist, Chicago. Better yet—obtain a bottle of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy from Piper's Pharmacy, Carroll's Pharmacy or any reliable druggist, who will refund your money if it fails.

## CLASSIFIED

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Inquire 732 Washington ave. 189-t6p.

WANTED—Middle-aged woman as cook at the Charleroi Monessen hospital. 190-tf

WANTED—Female clerk. Send name and address to 866 Mail office. 190-tf

SITUATION WANTED—Competent young lady stenographer is desirous of obtaining position. Legal and commercial experience. Address 860 Mail office. 183-tf

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Must be experienced. Apply Mrs. Porter, 502 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 191-t2

WANTED—Man past 30 with horse and buggy to sell Stock Condition Powder in Washington County. Salary \$70 per month. Address 9 Industrial Bldg., Indianapolis, Indiana. 192-t1p

FOR RENT—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 865 Mail office. 192-t1

Some husbands never give their wives all the money they want. There isn't that much money in the world. —Beaver Daily Times.

Sluggish livers and bowels are the cause of many diseases. Cleanse your stomach, regulate the bowels and liver, to healthy natural action by Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. A safe remedy to start you on the road to health and happiness. Henning's Drug Store.

## MONEY TO LOAN

\$5 & up—no advance charges

THE American Loan Co. 211 Fifth St. Second Floor Mail Bldg., Charleroi, Pa.

She told a lie and never got over it, "Miss George Washington," Coyle theatre Thursday and Friday. Charles Chaplin "In the Ring" Thursday. Usual admission. 191-t2

To stop a cold, a headache or sick stomach, drink a hot cup of herb Tea. Tones the stomach and liver and moves the bowels. Drives out impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Henning's Drug Store.

### Deeds Recorded.

Jan. 11, 1917—Samuel Galbraith, Charleroi to Kerfoot W. Daly, Charleroi, a lot fronting 22 feet on McKean avenue, Charleroi and extending back 74 feet; consideration \$7,500.

Jan. 10, 1917—Joseph Nandor, et ux, Charleroi, to John Wyke, Charleroi a lot fronting 40 feet on Meadow avenue, Charleroi and extending back 120 feet; consideration \$350.

A benefit dance will be given by the L. C. B. A. at Turner Hall Wednesday, January 31. Admission 50 cents. 191-t2

## When Caught by Your Parents in a Compromising Situation

with your school chum and a strange young man, introduce the chum and the youth as husband and wife and the difficulty vanishes into nothingness! Then, adroitly escaping with your father and mother, leave the other two to recover from their embarrassment as best they may. But, before doing so, it would be just as well to make sure that the school chum and the strange young man are not going to arrive at your own home later as guests, for that

## Is Apt to Start Some Very Serious Complications

That is the unfortunate predicament in which Alice Altworld found herself after she had introduced Berenice Somers and Cleverly Trafton to her father and mother as "Mr. and Mrs. Gardner" in order to avoid explaining their presence in a room at the Marlend Hotel. Of course their being there was all very innocent and accidental, but in a moment of panic

## Alice Decided to Lie Her Way Out

of the trouble rather than to explain the facts in the case.

That was her first mistake—others confronted her with startling rapidity from that moment on as

## She Tried to Cover Up the First Lie With Others

It all happens in

## Miss George Washington

in which Marguerite Clark stars at the

## Coyle Theatre, Thursday and Friday

The name of "Miss George Washington" is bestowed upon Berenice by the friends who know her best and realize that she can outstrip her friend Alice in the matter of concocting falsehoods. Her poor, deluded school-teacher sincerely believes that Berenice has never told a lie in her life and rejoices when she is presented with a Truth Medal by the George Washington Truth Society. Her friends who know her real disposition, can scarcely contain their mirth at the presentation of this medal.

When Berenice and Mr. Trafton, who have been introduced to Alice's mother as "Mr. and Mrs. Gardner," do meet at the Altworld home, there is consternation on the part of the three deceivers until Berenice conceives the idea of staging a quarrel before the rest of the family in order to avoid the difficulties presented by a single guest room. Trafton has already been caught trying to retire for the night on a balcony leading off the guest room and when his supposed wife is discovered hiding in Alice's room matters reach a climax.

This is nothing, however, compared to the furore which is aroused by the arrival of Paul Carroll, Berenice's fiance, who comes just in time to find her in the embrace of Trafton because she has decided to enact a mock reconciliation with her "husband." These are a few of the complications which follow this one lie, but they do not in any way outline the full humor of the story.

## Charlie Chaplin, in "The Rink" Thursday. No advance in price

## WE WANT A GOOD DEALER

We offer you the agency for one of the fastest selling low priced cars on the market today—built by one of the best established automobile companies entirely in their factories—not assembled.

Our line consists of a Touring Car, a Four-Passenger Roadster, a Two-Passenger Roadster and several models of light delivery trucks—a complete line—every one a good seller and a money-maker for the dealer.

We will guarantee deliveries in quantities for the 1917 season.

Our representative will gladly arrange an interview either in your city or in Pittsburg. Our dealers' proposition is very attractive and co-operative.

Live wires will write immediately.

Auto Representative,  
Pittsburg Press,  
Pittsburg, Pa.



## WHAT YOU WANT AND WHERE TO GET IT

**GEORGE D. CLARK**  
Fancy Groceries  
Fifth Street and Washington Ave.

The world known line of  
**W. H. DOUGLAS SHOES**  
is to be found at  
**RIVA'S STORE**  
Shoes to fit feet and  
pocket-books

Prompt attention given Collections  
Automobile, Motorcycle licenses  
Both Phones  
**PAUL R. NUTT**  
Justice of the Peace  
435 McKean Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

**Y. WING** has purchased  
the laundry at Fourth St. and is  
ready to do first-class work.  
Customers having laundry at  
this stand will please apply with  
their check and receive their  
property.

Y. Wing, New Proprietor,  
**Star Laundry**  
206 Fourth St., Charleroi, Pa.

## FOR SALE

301 Shady Ave. ....\$2100  
4 roomed house Oakland Ave. ....\$1000  
701 Fallowfield, 7 rooms and bath  
321 Washington 9 room house and  
bath, bargain  
10 room house Lookout .....\$2800  
117 Lincoln, 7 rooms, bath .....\$6500  
I. P. HEPLER,  
411 Fallowfield Ave.,  
Charleroi, Pa.

**BELL-ANS**  
Absolutely Removes  
Indigestion. One package  
proves it. 25c at all druggists.

## MOTHERHOOD WOMAN'S JOY

### Suggestions to Childless Women.

Among the virtues of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the ability to correct sterility in the cases of many women. This fact is well established as evidenced by the following letter and hundreds of others we have published in these columns.

Poplar Bluff, Mo.—"I want other women to know what a blessing Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been to me. We had always wanted a baby in our home but I was in poor health and not able to do my work. My mother and husband both urged me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I did so, my health improved and I am now the mother of a fine baby girl and do all my own house work."—Mrs. ALMA B. THOMAS, 218 Almond St., Poplar Bluff, Mo.

In many other homes, once childless, there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal, healthy and strong.  
Write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for advice—it will be confidential and helpful.

## A GOOD FRIEND

A good friend stands by you when in need. Charleroi people tell how Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test. Mrs. Stopp endorsed Doan's over six years ago and again confirms the story. Could you ask for more convincing testimony?

Mrs. William Stopp, 214 Second Street, Charleroi, says: "I had backaches and was distressed by headaches and dizzy spells. My kidneys were weak and the kidney secretions caused me annoyance. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and got a box at Piper Bros. Drug Store. They gave me good results." (Statement given November 5, 1909.)

Confirmed Testimony.  
On January 29, 1914, Mrs. Stopp said: "I have nothing to retract from my former statement given a few years ago, recommending Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's Kidney Pills never fail to give us relief when we take them."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Stopp has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. Adv.

## RIVERMEN CLEARING AWAY FLOOD DEBRIS

Government Boat at Lock No. 8—Inspectors to inspect Wire Nails For San Antonio Officers—Other River News of Interest.

The U. S. Steamer Slackwater, Capt. James T. Nutt, and a force of men are at Lock No. 8 of the Monongahela river, doing some repairs to the valves and machinery. The damage was caused by the recent flood but is not serious. Much drift and mud washed into the upper end of the lock chambers.

One of the upper gates at Lock No. 6 on the inner or old lock was damaged slightly by a sand barge owned by the Rodgers Sand Company going down over it during the recent flood. The barge was wrecked.

Denial is made by Pittsburgh district engineers that the government will build a screw propeller towboat for harbor purposes. The government fleet at present consists of the Swan, Slackwater, T. P. Roberts, Kittanning and Luzon.

The steamer Tornado has been repaired of damage done by the Clairton bridge when it rescued escaped barges during a recent flood and has reentered the river trade, towing coal to the La Belle Iron works near Wheeling.

The towboat Scout of the T. J. Gillespie Contracting Co., is on its way to Sistersville, W. Va., with a full tow of concrete mixers, flats and dredge boats. The company has a large contract for new construction work there.

Local inspectors connected with the U. S. Engineering corps have received orders from government officers at San Antonio, Tex., to inspect 800 tons of ordinary wire nails which are being made in Pittsburgh. The price is placed at \$500.

The harbor boat Eliza owned by Pittsburgh people, after delivering a tank barge containing 60,000 gallons of gasoline to the Atlantic Refining company, Allegheny river, was sold to southern interests to be entered in the Mississippi trade. The consideration is \$2,500.

The U. S. crane boat Monongahela has been ordered to Lock No. 2 to clear the lock of debris left by the late flood. Capt. Jesse Virgin is in charge.

Capt. Fred Shenkle, construction foreman at Lock No. 6 is ill of pneumonia.

The steam propeller Wabash, which had formerly been run in the Point Marion and Greensboro trade may be a complete wreck. The Wabash, Capt. Wm. Lloyd was sunk by the recent flood and is now lying at the Greensboro wharf in bad condition.

## WESTMINSTER GUILD NAMES OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

Miss Rockwell Named President—  
"Modern China" Subject Matter  
Discussed By Organization.

The Westminster Guild of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church met Tuesday evening in the Sunday school room of the church. "Modern China" was the topic of the evening's discussion. The leader was Miss Elizabeth Elliott, assisted by Miss Nora Swan and Miss Hazel Horne. It was brought out that in awaking, China is adopting many western ideas and customs. The educational revolution is in keeping with the industrial and commercial changes. The missionary work of Dr. Morrison and Dr. Mary Stone has prepared the nation for philanthropic enterprises, and the work of the kindergarten is augmenting the work of the hospitals and homes for cripples. Miss Marie Whitehead gave a reading on "Incidents in Chinese Life." Two musical numbers were presented a piano solo by Miss Elma Collins, and a quartette composed of Miss Emma Clutter, Nora Swan, Elma Collins and Mamie Rockwell, accompanied by Miss Bethel Bowman. A letter from Miss Bernice Clutter described a Christmas entertainment in the Carolina mountains.

The following were elected officers for the new year. President, Miss Mamie Rockwell; vice-president, Miss Marguerite Whitlatch; secretary, Miss Elma Collins; treasurer, Miss Stella Boudoux; pianist, Miss Bethel Bowman; temperance secretary, Miss Eva Watson.

As She Learned.  
Mrs. Minchey—My little daughter has learned to play the piano in no time. Mrs. Bowkes—Yes, I've heard her playing that way.

## "MR. TURKEY" GOT REPRIEVE

American Woman's Respect for Age  
Led Her to Forego the Prospective  
Thanksgiving Feast.

Miss H—, the matron of a girls' mission school on the island of Kuisie, one of the Carolines, relates this story:

She had often told her island charges about the customs of her own native land, and was highly pleased upon receiving an invitation to a Thanksgiving dinner, to be held on a neighboring island and given by one of her graduates, who had proudly specified that roast turkey would be on the bill of fare.

Miss H— was delighted, and told her pupils so. Whereupon one of them arose and said:

"It gives me great pleasure to think of your coming joy, Miss H—, though it gives me pain, also, to think of losing Mr. Turkey from our midst. I have been accustomed to seeing that turkey on our island for many years, he being the only resident turkey we have there. But if in his ripe old age he is to be eaten, I'm sure, Miss H—, Mr. Turkey would rather be eaten by you than by any other person."

Convinced that his death would be an undesirable sacrifice, Miss H— sent her hostess word that she preferred seeing Mr. Turkey to eating him.

## DIFFERENCES IN CAT FAMILY

Physiological Reason Why Lions, and  
Others of the Tribe Are Unable  
to Purr.

A lion, while an accredited member of the cat family, cannot purr, however happy he may be when you stroke him, because the hyoid bone in his throat is loose. He has to roar.

This is one of a number of interesting things discovered about the cat family recently by scientists at the London Zoo. R. L. Pocock, superintendent of the zoo, explains that those feline or cat family that have an elastic ligament between the ceratohyal and the upper elements of the suspensorium (lion, tiger, leopard, jaguar) roar, but never purr, while all the other species of the feline, with normally constructed hyoids, purr, but never roar, and among these are the cheetah and puma.

The roars of the jaguar and leopard are like "hoarse, barking coughs, an interval of about one second separating the expiratory efforts," says the observer. They may be easily reproduced or imitated by sawing a piece of thin board with a coarse-toothed saw. The cheetah, however, calls with a decided mew, very much like that of the cat.

When Birds Fight.  
Sparrows are proverbially pugnacious. Sometimes a tree will be a sparrow battleground, and for ten minutes it will be as lively as a dog fight. On one occasion a flock of seagulls, flying inland from the Channel, took possession of a newly sown field. Then a mob of rooks appeared, swooped down and drove the gulls off.

The rooks posted sentries to watch that no invaders should steal in and take spoil, and it was amusing to see these sentries hustling and bustling the gulls who ventured to return.

From time immemorial a pair of carrion crows had held undisputed sway at Gray's Inn, and not a rook put in an appearance until the felling of the oaks on the Chesterfield property at Mayfair. Then the invasion commenced, and the big crows were overmastered by numbers.

Probably the finest fighter in the world, quadruped or biped, is the game-cock. He is a match for anything his size in the world, probably, if he gets a fair field and no favor. He is as quick as a flash of lightning, and his spurs are terrible weapons, quite as effective as a pair of bayonets, and used much more scientifically and forcefully.—Answers.

## Correct Heat Records.

Why does a weather bureau thermometer show lower temperatures in hot weather than the thermometer at the corner drug store? asks the Popular Science Monthly. When discrepancies exist, they are due chiefly to the fact that the official thermometer is installed in a wooden cage, where it is open to the air, but screened from both direct sunshine and the heat reflected from surrounding buildings.

Only under such conditions does a thermometer measure accurately the temperature of the air.

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